



Docket No. 55293-B-PCT-US/JPW/MVM

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Carlos Cordon-Cardo et al.
Serial No.: 10/009,861 Examiner: S. Ungar
Filed : December 10, 2001 Group Art Unit: 1642
For : MARKERS FOR PROSTATE CANCER

1185 Avenue of the Americas
New York, New York 10036
June 4, 2007

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**AMENDMENT FILED WITH A CORRESPONDING REQUEST
FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

Applicants hereby submit this request for continued examination ("RCE") including an Amendment in connection with the above-identified patent application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.114(a), prior to abandonment of the application, an applicant may file an RCE of an application including the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) so as to file a submission such as an amendment to the claims.

A Final Office Action was issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") on June 30, 2006 in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the June 30, 2006 Final Office Action was due September 30, 2006. On November 30, 2006, applicants filed an Amendment in Response to June 30, 2006 Final Office Action And Petition For Two-Month Extension of Time. On December 29, 2006, applicants filed a Notice of Appeal along with a Petition For An Additional One-Month Extension of Time. The Notice of Appeal was received by the USPTO on January 3,

Applicants: Carlos Cordon-Cardo et al.
Serial No.: 10/009,861
Filed: December 10, 2001
Page 2

2007. Applicants attach hereto as **Exhibit A** a copy of the return postcard stamped with the date January 3, 2007 by the Office of Initial Patent Examination ("OIPE") of the USPTO. Therefore, an appeal brief was due on March 3, 2007. Applicants are concurrently filing a Petition For Three-Month Extension Of Time. Therefore, an appeal brief is now due June 3, 2007. However, since June 3, 2007 was a Sunday, a response filed on the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or Federal holiday, i.e. Monday, June 4, 2007, is considered timely under 37 C.F.R. §1.7. In lieu of filing an appeal brief, applicants are filing an RCE in order to submit this Amendment. Accordingly, this RCE and Amendment are being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows: